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Application

09/597,297

Confirmation No.:

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BUISMAN, et al.

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June 20, 2000

Title

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONVERTING INFORMATION

ON PAPER FORMS TO ELECTRONIC DATA

TC/Art Unit

: 3624

Examiner:

William J. Buisman

Docket No.

47004.000054

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21967

MAIL STOP: ADMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUBSTITUTE SUBMISSION OF OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE PREVIOUSLY FILED DECEMBER 12, 2003

Sir:

Applicants previously made a timely submission of an office action response on December 12, 2003 in response to the prior office action dated July 15, 2003 (Exhibit 1). Following this filing, several months passed and applicants' noted that applicants' response was not reflected in the PAIRS system. Several calls were made to the Examiner to ascertain the status of applicants' December 12, 2003 filing. The Examiner was unable to give a status of applicants' filing because the case was being scanned as part of the IFW process.

At this time, more than six months have passed and applicants have not received any indication confirming the receipt of applicants' response and its entry into the PTO's patent docket system. Accordingly, applicants are submitting this Substitute Submission Of Office Action Response to ensure that applicants' December 12, 2003 response is on file.

APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 09/597,297 ATTORNEY DOCKET: 47004.000054

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at the below listed telephone number, in order to expedite resolution of any issues and to expedite passage of the present application to issue, if any comments, questions, or suggestions arise in connection with the present application.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, in the event that any fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

- 1. Amendment Transmittal Letter;
- 2. Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in Response to Office Action dated July 15, 2003;
- 3. Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time;
- 4. Check in the amount of \$582.00 (extension of time and excess claim fee); and
- 5. Return receipt postcard.



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Sir:

The following are enclosed for consideration in the above-identified application:

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[]	Response to Notice to File Missing Parts	\$
[X]	Response to Office Action of July 15, 2003	\$
[]	Declaration: [] Original; [] Supplemental	\$
[]	Submission of Formal Drawings	\$
	Informal Drawings: Sheets Figures	\$
[]	Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, copy of French and	\$
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[X]	Amendment and Request for Reconsideration Pursuant to 37 C.F.R.	\$
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[X]	Petition for [Two]-Month Extension of Time	\$420.00
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[•]	Notice of Appeal	\$
[]	Appeal Brief	\$
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[]	Reply Brief	\$
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Total Claims	29	20	9	x \$18.00	\$162.00
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Claims				x \$86.00	\$
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TOTAL EXCESS CLAIMS FEE					\$162.00
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of Hunton & Williams, Deposit Account Number 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 12, 2003

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows: